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Intolerance

Dear Editor,

In the 5/15 edition of MGW, Rick Manuel unwittingly expresses the same intolerance that's caused so much suffering for those whose sexual orientations differ from the majority.

Rick says bisexuals "want to ride the Gay & Lesbian Community's coattails", that they're "whining to be included in our ranks". Bisexuals have been just as involved in the struggle for civil liberty and sexual freedom as Gays and Lesbians, from the beginning.

Rick backs his opinions with evidence from the classifieds. Homophobes use the same "scientific data" to condemn our community. Who needs the Kinsey Report?

Our community makes a grave error when we try to exclude Bisexuals, Transgenders and (gasp) even Heterosexuals from the struggle for civil rights.

Instead of chasing away our allies, let's welcome with gratitude any who would join forces with us, especially when the homophobes are sending ten times as many letters to Washington as we are! Will letters soon be received by PFLAG and the NAACP insisting they get off our coattails.

We need to relate our cause to others, talk more about invasion of privacy, the right of consenting adults to express their sexual orientation free from government intrusion. Personally, I voted for inclusion in the last election and just as I want to be included, so will I include, with an open heart and mind, those of other orientations.

Sincerely,
Joe Balestreri

No hate like Christian hate

Dear Editor,

Michelle Kunert, a "Christian", protests being called a "homophobic racist pig". Perhaps the reason is, since the birth of Christianity, racism, anti-Semitism, and homophobia has been its bloody hallmark. Millions (including thousands of gays and lesbians) have perished in religious wars, pogroms,

inquisitions, crusades, genocide, ethnic cleansing, and hate campaigns, all in the name of Sweet Jesus. To many in the gay and lesbian community, Christians are cruel people prone to extreme violence and hate (newspapers are full of Christian violence). The old saying, "there's no hate like Christian hate" is certainly true. Hitler and Stalin didn't invent racism, anti-Semitism, and homophobia, they learned them from Christians. In America, the Bible was used to justify slavery, segregation, genocide, and homophobia.

Many "humanist" Christians abhor these vicious crimes. However, Michelle's demon espouses "sugar-coated" homophobia ("hate the sin, love the sinner") instead of "traditional" Christian homophobia ("burn the fags"). Her homophobia is not less vile because it's a "wolf in sheep's clothing" justifying continued oppression and violence against gay, lesbian and other communities in the name of Sweet Jesus. If love, compassion, tolerance, non-violence, diversity, and understanding are "politically correct", then so be it, also in the name of Sweet Jesus.

Joseph S. Bruno

Christian backyards

Dear Editor,

In response to the Michelle Kunert's letter: This woman states Christians are not promoting behavior that spreads AIDS. She also speaks of perverted sex and resented being called homophobic.

We all can honestly state there's nothing wrong with associating with Christians, as the majority of are Christians. We believe in God, Christ and the Mother Mary. We also believe in love! What gets us in trouble is we also love mankind! She is a typical Moral Majority member, running around looking in everyone else's backyard, but she's too blind to clean up her own.

Our country was founded on religious freedom and we all have witnessed the "Witch Hunts", the segregation, the Civil Rights Movement, Women's Rights, and

now Gay Rights. We are just asking to be free in our diversity.

David Andrews

Get Some Help

Dear Editor,

In response to Michelle Kunert's peculiar letter concerning numerous people coming up to her and calling her a "homophobic racist pig".

There must be some truth to the allegation if several persons are saying this to your face. If you do not like people attacking your disapproval of gay and lesbian lifestyles, why do you insist on telling us your asinine views in our own forum. Do you expect us not to counter your ridiculous opinions of us.

We accept the face that God loves us and we do not need you to tell us this. Do you also accept the face that only God can judge us, not you? Maybe if the persons who attend the Capital Christian Church could spread some of that Christian love, E.J. Byington would not be going through so much turmoil.

As for you being a racist, that is something you are going to have to look in the mirror and deal with. Also, if you insist on writing inflammatory letters about us, you are certainly going to get inflammatory responses. Freedom of Speech is a double-edged sword, Ms. Kunert, it cuts both ways.

Perhaps you masochistically enjoy being told off. If that is the case, we all suggest you seek professional help.

Roberto Morales

The word, queer

Dear Editor,

Concerning Mr. Eastman's letter pertaining to his dissatisfaction of this year's Gay Day Parade theme "The Year of the Queer".

I asked some people I knew if this year they were attending the parade. They said no, because the theme that was chosen was derogatory to Gays and Lesbians. I was surprised because they had never missed the parade since its creation.

I personally never gave much thought to the theme until I made some comparisons about some similar events. What if La Fiesta de la Familia was called La Fiesta de la Spics, African American Day at Davis was called Nigger Day, Asian-Pacific month was called Gook Month, and the new Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C., stated that over six million Kikes

died in World War II. It's not very funny, nor is it very good in promoting our pride. So why should we do this to ourselves and give the bigots more ammunition to use against us? If someone were to ask you about your pride, would you say you were a "Faggot, Bull Dyke, or Queer", or would you say you were Gay or Lesbian. If radicals prefer to be called "Queers, Faggots, or Dykes" then so be it, but do not assume to speak for all of us or dictate to us what we should call ourselves.

The word "queer" in the dictionary means strange, abnormal, inclined to become nauseated. That, my brothers and sisters, is what we in the Gay and Lesbian community have been fighting against for a long time. Fighting, so that this year we can call ourselves Queers? How ridiculous.

Besides, most Gays and Lesbians are hardworking, bill paying and some of my friends are so normal that they are almost beyond boring.

Roberto Morales

Negative images

Dear Editor,

For me, the time has come for a confession! I am one of those gay men who just doesn't get it anymore. I don't get: the congratulatory nature of the comments made from all the newspapers that were inspired by the March on Washington for Gay Rights earlier this month.

The purpose of this march was to discuss what was wrong with America, media and government to deny us the same rights as everybody else is getting.

Members of our community, displayed themselves nude, spanking bottoms on stage, and women showing their breasts. Maybe they weren't there to lobby for equal rights. Maybe they were having just a ball! Those individuals are not only victims, but victimizers.

They are contributors to conditions we have to live in, they are not only harming our communities, but by behaving like this, slowing down progress for years to come. I don't get how behavior like this is going to change the negative view millions of Americans have about Gay Rights issues.

Sincerely,
Walter F. Mueller

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New "Family" Bill Proposed

by Marghe Covino
MGW staff

Senate Constitutional Amendment 18 (SCA 18) was introduced last week by Christian right stalwart,

will be easier for the theocratic right to prevent any other couples and families to receive recognition or benefits



MGW/Aaron Marcus

Proud parents at the March on Washington.

State Senator Tim Leslie, (R-Carnelian Bay - Sacramento). The legislation would amend State Constitution Section I and would add Section 31 to Article I relating to families. The measure would also enact the Family Bill of Rights which states that a family, as defined by Leslie, is a "natural and legal relationship entitled to the highest constitutional recognition and protections."

The measure provides a sweeping application of its intent to all government activities and is of concern to Jerry Sloan of Project Tocsin in Sacramento.

Sloan says this is still another attempt to exclude any but the "narrowest, so-called 'christian' interpretation of family from official definition. And from there it

due them as citizens and taxpayers."

Sloan termed Leslie's measure "pernicious — an evil, destructive thing. These repressive measures and laws always lead me to wonder why the recognition or sanction of other families and relationships is so frightening to them [the christian right]. What does it take away from them — from their lives? Are their relationships so tenuous that the mere recognition of another configuration would somehow spoil or demean what they hold so dear? Leslie has yet to learn there are many kinds of love and many expressions of it — and all of it is far preferable to the kind of hatred he and his cohorts are inflicting in the state houses across this country

with their initiatives and measures and amendments."

The text of Leslie's amendment reads: WHEREAS, Civilizations are established and cultures are preserved and transmitted primarily by families, from parent to children to grandchildren, from generation to generation' and WHEREAS, The recognition of the natural and inalienable rights and responsibilities between a man and a woman in marriage and between parents and their children, by birth and adoption, has been so basic and fundamental to American law and government that at the time of the drafting of our state and federal constitutions the protection of these invaluable foundations of society was presumed rather than expressly delineated in the law; now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature of the State of California at its 1993-94

Regular Session commencing on the seventh day of December 1992, two-thirds of the members elected to each of the two houses of the Legislature voting therefor, hereby proposes to the people of the State of California that the Constitution of the State be amended as follows;

First — That Section I of Article I thereof, is amended to read:

SECTION I: All people are by nature free and independent and have inalienable rights. Among these are enjoying and defending life and liberty, acquiring, possessing and protecting property, preserving the integrity of one's family, and pursuing and obtaining safety, happiness, and privacy.

Second - That Section 31 is added to Article I thereof, to read: SECTION 31:

(a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Family Bill of Rights."

(b) A family is a natural and legal relationship entitled to the highest constitutional recognition and protections.

(c) This section is self-executing and applies to all governmental activities, laws, regulations, and legal proceedings of every kind, including but not limited to, educational, administrative, regulatory, civil, criminal, and juvenile proceedings.

(d) "Family" for the purpose of this article means (1) a man and woman related by marriage, or (2) a parent and his or her children, natural and adopted.

Rand Martin of Assembly-member Terry Friedman's (D-Los Angeles) office said he's "keeping an eye" on the measure but as yet doesn't expect it "to get very far." ▼

Idaho AG Says

Initiative "Fatally Flawed"

by Marghe Covino
MGW staff

Idaho Attorney General Larry EchoHawk has informed the Idaho Citizens Alliance that its proposed anti-gay initiative is fatally flawed and would not survive a court challenge. EchoHawk said the initiative "violates the most essential constitutional principles of American society and would deny basic rights to all Idahoans - not just gay and lesbian citizens."

The ICA initiative is meant to keep gays from "receiving special rights through minority status." But in his review of the initiative, which is legally required, EchoHawk said, "that's a misstatement - the initiative would deny homosexuals not special rights but equal rights - including the right to due process, free speech, and access to the democratic process." He said the rights of all citizens would suffer as well. In the 23 page legal opinion EchoHawk said, "Those who stand to lose - are not just homosexuals, rather all Idahoans will suffer an abridgement of our most deeply held and cherished constitutional rights - the right to freedom of speech, the right to academic freedom in our universities, the right to free political debate in our

governmental bodies, and the right to live in a society where all members are protected equally under the law."

In addition to constitutional problems and conflicts with the First Amendment and Equal Protection clauses of the U.S. Constitution, the initiative conflicts with similar clauses in Idaho's constitution and interferes with the right of every citizen to petition government for redress of grievances - the fundamental guarantee of access to the political process. In writing the opinion, EchoHawk drew on recent court decisions including one in California which held that, "Private biases may be outside the reach of the law, but the law cannot, directly or indirectly, give them effect."

Doing so would make the state a partner in discrimination, the court said, in violation of the U.S. Constitution. Similarly, barring legal protection for homosexuals would deny that group a fundamental right that all Americans enjoy: the right to petition government. "Whether or not the majority agrees with the homosexual lifestyle, the state does not have a compelling interest to exclude homosexuals from the political process," he stated.

EchoHawk said the initiative also violates free speech rights by trying to censor one side of an "ongoing political and moral debate." In addition to banning anti-discrimination laws based on sexual preference, the initiative bars schools and other public agencies from "sanctioning" homosexuality, bans the use of public funds to

"sanction" it, and requires that public libraries keep materials about homosexuality out of the hands of minors. Among the potential effects of the initiative would be the banning of certain research at state colleges and universities, censorship of school newspapers, restrictions on police protection at gay and lesbian rallies, barring production of certain plays, prevention of state health insurance funded counselors from exercising independent judgement, require librarians to be censors and intimidate Idahoans with the threat of criminal penalties.

Idaho law requires EchoHawk to review all initiative petitions within 10 working days of their filing for matters of substantive import such as constitutional flaws. The review is advisory only and does not have the force of law. Therefore ICA can proceed with placing the initiative on the ballot. According to Jean McNeil, a spokesperson in EchoHawk's office, "the initiative backers have the right to accept or reject any or all of the legal opinion and if they garner enough signatures to place the initiative on the ballot." McNeil did say that if the initiative is voted into law and in the event of a court challenge the state would be obliged to defend the initiative - however she said, in some cases, the Attorney General's office contracts out to law firms specializing in such suits. The ICA has until August of 1994 to gather the 36,000 qualifying signatures to place the initiative on the November 1994 ballot. ▼

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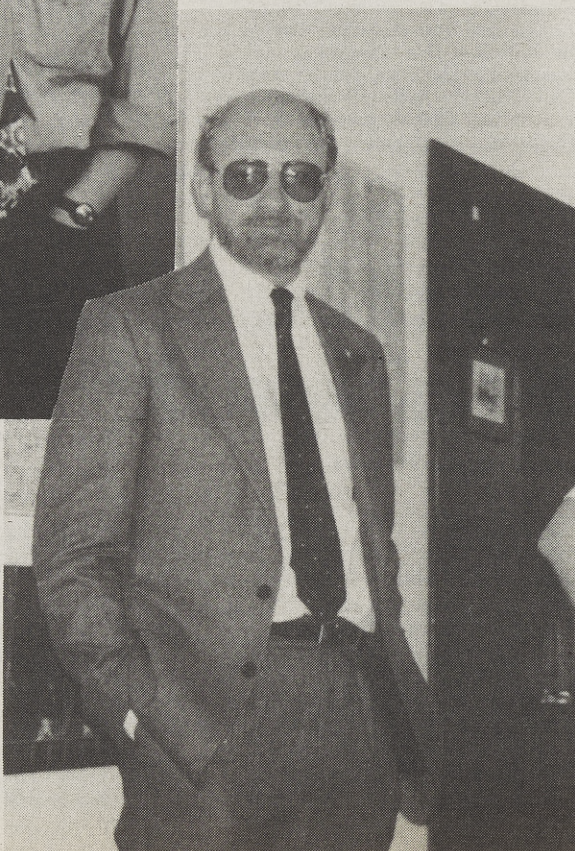
S.F. Supervisor in Sacramento



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San Francisco City Supervisor Carol Migden journeyed to Sacramento last month for a fundraiser held in her honor. Migden is the highest-ranking elected lesbian in California government. Friends of Migden organized the fundraiser as part of a statewide drive to introduce the supervisor to the gay & lesbian community and build up a "war chest" for Migden's future political plans. Laurie McBride and Robert Rios at her side.

Openly gay mayor running for office



MGW/Linda Birner

Mayor John Laird of Santa Cruz is running for the Assembly. The River City Democratic Club had a reception for him, and he stopped by the Sacramento Town Council meeting.

Computer users picnic



MGW/Charles Peer

Members of gay/lesbian computer bulletin boards met for their first summer picnic at Goethe Park.

Lamda Letters auction



MGW/Charles Peer

Mickey Mitchell auctions off a food processor to raise funds for the Lamda Letters at the Townhouse.

Sacramento M.D. marches



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Dr. Helen Hammer with Kathy of the "Kathy and Mo" comedienne duo at the March on Washington Gala Dinner.

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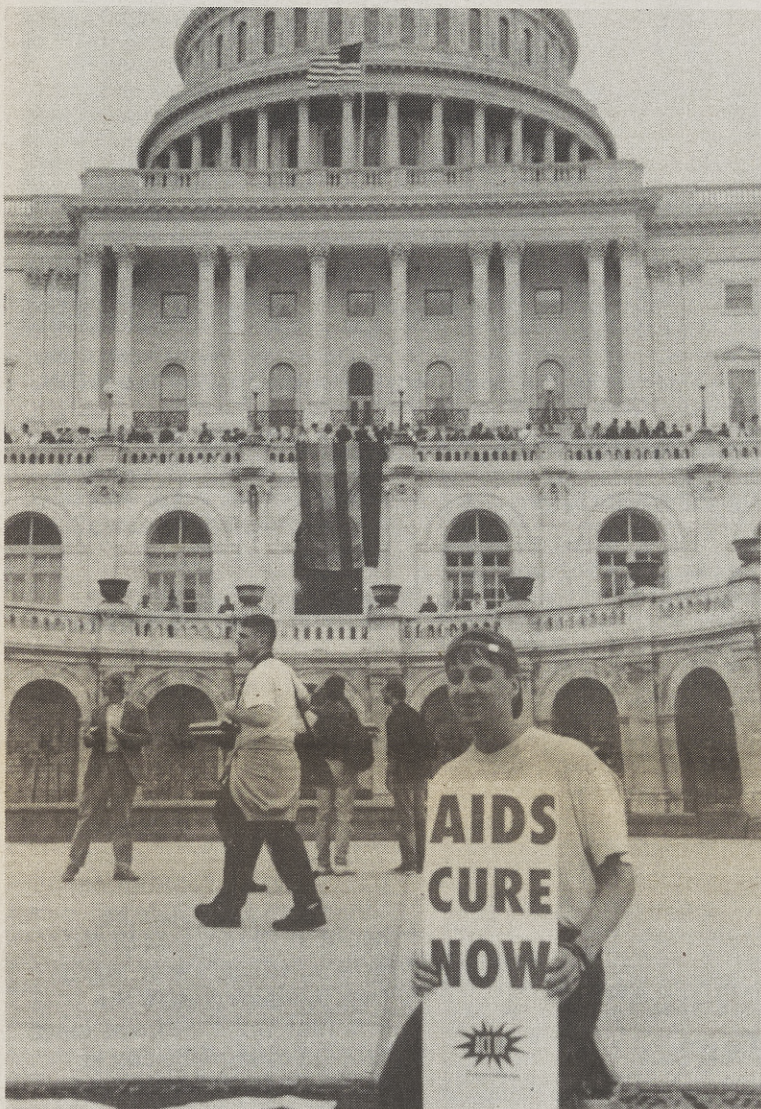
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Rainbow flag flies over the capitol

by Aaron Marcus
MGW Staff

For one brief moment in time, the Rainbow Flag, symbol of lesbian and gay America flew from the capitol of the nation -

So as people finished wrapping themselves five-deep, hand-in-hand around the Capitol, Larry Kramer gave a searing speech about



MGW/Aaron Marcus

March on Washington organizers unfold the Rainbow Flag on the Capitol in Washington D.C.

dwarfing the stars and stripes - and serving as a backdrop for the largest AIDS protest in history.

James Reid of San Francisco had one thing in mind as he headed up the steps during the "Hands Around the Capitol" event organized by Act Up! the day before the March on Washington - hanging his rainbow flag from the midpoint-deck over the West face of the capitol.

He got it there - and it took National Park Police and government security officers 10 minutes to get it down.

the state of AIDS in America - against a backdrop of the six colors of the rainbow - thanks to Jim Reid.

Reid had to practically beg police for his flag back. They confiscated it in an elaborate and complicated process that required radios, binoculars and a commanding officer. Symbolic of the tolerance shown by officials throughout the weekend however, the police let him have his flag back with just a promise - that he keep the flag in his arms. Reid was too proud for anything else. ▼

Psychologist finds heterosexuals can work and live with gay men and lesbians if Pentagon exercises leadership...

Scientific research shows military policy can be implemented

The current debate surrounding the military's exclusion of gay men and lesbians is based on the mistaken assumption that heterosexuals cannot overcome their own prejudices, according to a scholarly review of findings from social science research published today.

The article, "Sexual Orientation and Military Service: A Social Science Perspective," appears in the May issue of the *American Psychologist*, the official journal of the American Psychological Association (APA). It was written by Gregory M. Herek, Ph. D., a social psychologist at the University of California at Davis and a national authority on heterosexual attitudes toward lesbians and gay men.

In his article, Dr. Herek reviewed existing scientific research concerning issues of unit cohesion and effectiveness, the fitness of lesbians and gay men for military service, and public opinion about a nondiscriminatory policy. He concluded that heterosexual personnel can overcome their prejudices and adapt to living working in close quarters with lesbians and gay men; that lesbians and gay men are no inherently less capable of military service than are heterosexual women and men; and that acceptance of a new policy will be influenced by whether the public understands that the presence of openly gay and lesbian personnel will not impair combat effectiveness.

According to Dr. Herek, "In the past, the military has proved itself willing and able to attack prejudice and stereotypes based on race and gender within its ranks. The challenge of the 1990s may well be to continue this tradition by eliminating barriers based on sexual orientation."

Dr. Herek noted that some members of the military and congress have expressed concern that unit cohesion and morale will be harmed if heterosexual personnel refuse to work and live in close quarters with lesbian or gay male service members. But his review of survey and laboratory data indicated that heterosexuals are fully capable of establishing close interpersonal relationships with gay people. Dr. Herek pointed out that roughly one American adult in three already knows someone who is openly gay or lesbian, and that heterosexuals who have a close ongoing relationship with a gay man or lesbian tend to express favorable attitudes toward gay people as a group.

"Ongoing interpersonal contact under favorable conditions," said Dr. Herek, "is likely to foster positive feelings toward gay men and lesbians." Such favorable conditions, he noted, include a supportive environment in which common goals are emphasized, prejudice is negatively sanctioned, and heterosexuals learn to regard gay men and lesbians as complex individuals rather than simply as members of a

dislike social category.

A second concern raised by the military, according to Dr. Herek, is that lesbians and gay men are unfit for service because they have a propensity to engage in sexual harassment. He noted that although data are not available from the social science literature to test directly whether gay men and lesbians engage in sexual harassment more than do heterosexuals, indirect evidence indicates that they do not. This indirect evidence includes research showing that lesbians and gay men, as a group, do not differ from heterosexual women and men in their levels of sexual drive and

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by Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

Stimulator endorsed...

The Food and Drug Administration has endorsed a drug application for dronabinol to treat weight loss in people with HIV. Dronabinol is chemically synthesized tetrahydro-cannabinol, the main ingredient in marijuana. In 1985 it was approved as a Schedule II (controlled) drug to treat nausea and vomiting related to cancer chemotherapy. In January 1991 it was given Orphan Drug status (in which treatments can be developed for conditions affecting fewer than 200,000 people). Its success in stimulating appetite in people with AIDS with weight-loss problems, and the growing number of individuals losing weight have led to the new expanded drug application. The drug's potential for abuse will keep it as a

Schedule II drug, in the same category as morphine and other controlled substances.

More resistance found...

Researchers say that as many as 5 percent of the one million people currently infected with HIV appear to be carrying a weakened strain that resists the onset of AIDS, and may never show symptoms of AIDS. They don't know why, but believe it may result from genetic factors or peculiarities that allow the immune system to develop the ability to fight against more powerful strains. These people seem to be maintaining T-cells at above 500 for long periods of time.

Children's vaccine trial...

The National Institutes of Health has announced the initiation of the first trial for children aged one month to 12 years. Manufactured in a joint venture by Ciba-Geigy in Emeryville, Calif., MicroGeneSys of Connecticut, and Genetech of South San Francisco, the study is intended to determine whether a vaccine can postpone the onset of AIDS in HIV-positive children. MicroGeneSys recently withdrew as part of a similar study for adults; the company spurred controversy last year by lobbying Congress to appropriate \$20 million for a Defense Department study of its product alone. Children usually progress to full-blown AIDS faster than adults. [In undeveloped countries such as Africa, the severe illness of a child is often the first indication that the virus is in

the family. The virus is running rampant in that country for various reasons ranging from poor families' inability to pay for condoms, the continuing practice of polygamy, and other reasons. African health care workers say the fight against AIDS in that country appears to be making little or no progress in most places.] In this country, over 4,300 children under age 14 have thus far contracted the virus.

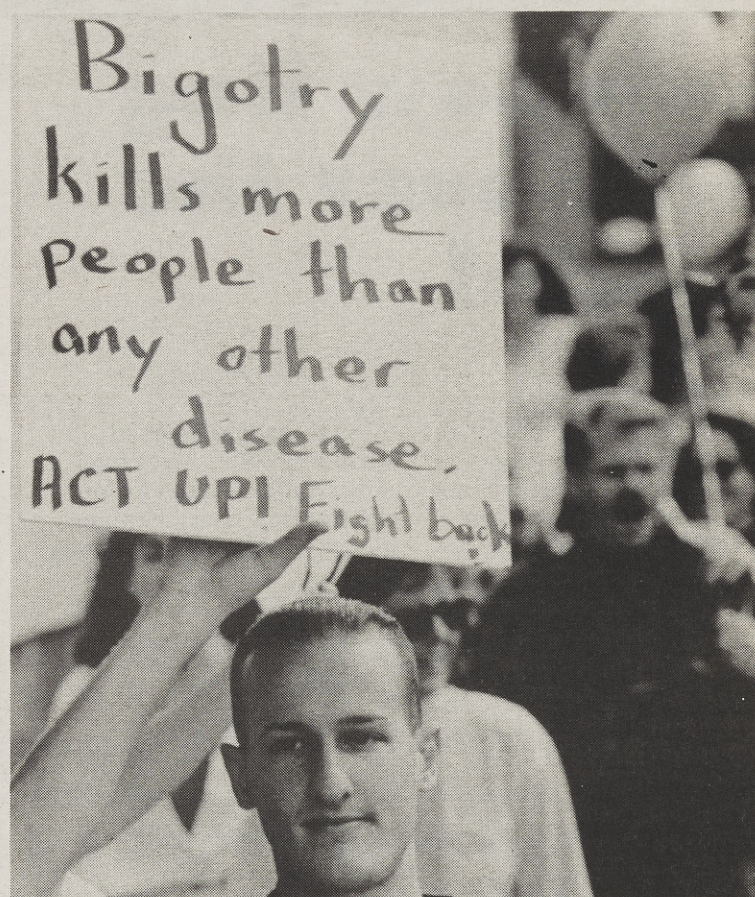
New HIV tests...

*Enzo Biochem has developed a new test to detect HIV in the blood by finding viral genes, rather than antibodies reacting to the virus.

*Genelabs is testing a new way to determine the amount of circulating virus (viral load) in the blood of people with HIV. The new method [QC-PCR, or Quantitative Competitive Polymerase Chain Reaction] would give researchers a better way to rapidly evaluate the effectiveness of antiviral treatments without having to wait for the development of clinical complications.

Murder victim's quilt...

A special memorial quilt, similar to the NAMES Project's memorial quilt, remembers Baltimore's hundreds of murder victims. Families of future victims of violence can add to the quilt over time. Tentative plans will place the quilt in the victim/witness waiting room at the city courthouse. Yet another similar quilt created by a support group in Baltimore County's state attorney's office was also recently unveiled.



MGW/Pamela Coffey

March on the State Capitol was held in support of the MOW.

New AIDS treatment...

BioChem of Montreal, Canada, is setting up Phase III of its clinical trial on the drug 3TC. The company says 3TC causes fewer side effects than other therapies such as AZT, DDI, or DDC. 320 people in Europe and about 500 in North America will participate in the trials testing 3TC alone as well as in combination with other HIV therapies. Trial findings will be released by the end of this year.

Yet another \$ slant...

A new educational game for classrooms teaches teens about HIV disease by asking questions about research,

prevention, and social issues. "AIDS is no Game" has dice, playing cards, tests, and sells for (are you sitting down?) \$300.

Mom's ribbons...

The Sacramento AIDS Foundation's Mothers Support Group, moms of people who are HIV-positive or who have died from AIDS, are busy as usual making their red AIDS Awareness Ribbons for special events put on by the Foundation. The ribbons can also be found at Choices, 2417 K Street. Any donation you'd care to make goes to the Foundation. The moms meet at 1 pm every Tuesday at SAF, 920-20th Street, and the group is growing ever larger. ▼

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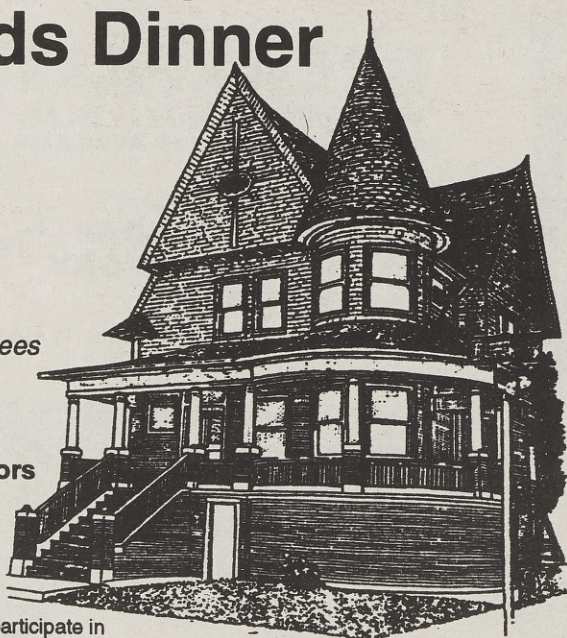
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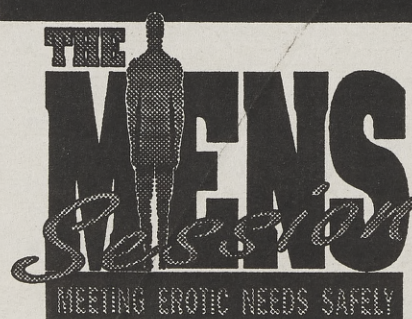
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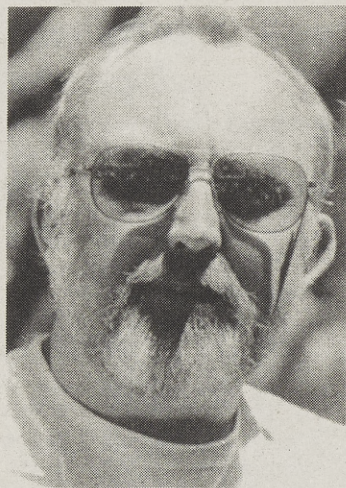


How many of my friends have died? I don't even know anymore. It seems like I've lost half my phone book. And when I tested negative, I felt like I had betrayed my friends, like I was better or smarter than them. Maybe that's why I didn't "play safely" that night—that way the test wouldn't mean anything.

So what am I trying to prove? That I belong? That it's got to happen someday, so why fight it? It's too much to deal with. And nobody I know even wants to talk about it.

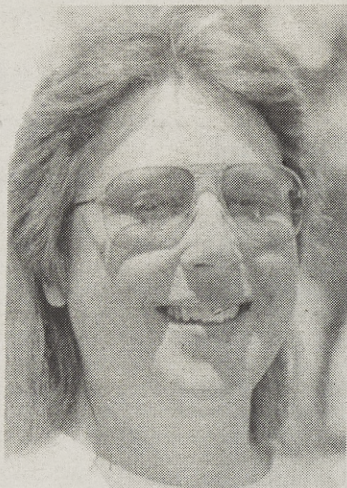
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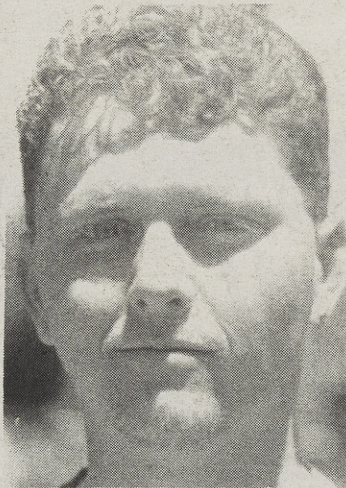
Dave Howe

I don't think we have the votes to win, so we need to consider any reasonable compromise to prevent the Senate from enacting a law.



Debbie Mills

If all else fails we will take it, but I'd rather see gays in openly.



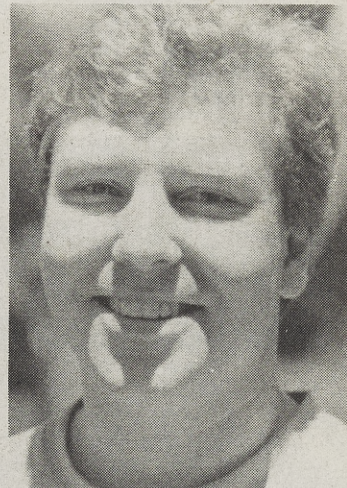
Jim Jackson

I don't think they have any right to ask anybody, gay or straight, about their sexuality. The compromise is probably a good idea.



Phyll Calibo

I don't feel that one should have to compromise themselves and who they are. I was denied a security clearance.



MGW/ Charles Peer

Grant Koehler

It is a good starting point.

MEDIA WATCH

by Al Kielwasser
GLAAD/SFBA

California schools superintendent

Hearings will begin shortly in the Rules Committee Senate to determine if conservative Senator Marian Bergeson will become the next Superintendent of Public Instruction, filling the position recently vacated by Bill Honig. Bergeson has done *nothing* to indicate that she would be an advocate for educational equality in California's 1,000 public school districts. Effort are already underway, orchestrated by Lou Sheldon's "Traditional Values Coalition," to *absolutely prohibit*

any informed discussion of homosexuality in California's public schools. We *must* have a Schools Superintendent who will stand up to bigots, promote an inclusive, multicultural curriculum, and defend the interests of lesbian, gay and bisexual students. Contact your state representatives and ask that they reject any nominee for Superintendent of Public Instruction who will not make a clear commitment to lesbian, gay and bisexual inclusion in our State's textbooks and classrooms.

For the names and addresses of your district representatives, call the League of Women Voters at 4125-989-8683 or the Capitol Switchboard at 916-322-9900. Also send your concerns to David Roberti, Chair, and All Members, Senate Rules Committee, State Capitol, Room 205, Sacramento, CA 95814, tel. 916-445-8390

Newsweek

Following a meeting with March On Washington organizers, Evan Thomas, *Newsweek* Washington Bureau Chief, promised that his magazine would offer "strong coverage" of the 1993 March for Lesbian, Gay and

Bi Equal rights. Last month, Eleanor Clift, *Newsweek* White House Correspondent, suggested that it would be difficult for the magazine to cover the March because *Newsweek's* offices are "closed on Sunday."

Newsweek, *Time* and other weekly news magazines virtually ignored the 1987 March on Washington. Don't let it happen again! Hold *Newsweek* to their promise of "strong coverage" and demand meaningful and substantial attention from all the major news services.

Contact Richard Smith, Editor-In-Chief, *Newsweek*, 444 Madison Ave., NY, NY 10022, tel. 212-350-4000.

William Jefferson Clinton

With a bit of nudging encouragement, Bill Clinton might attend the 1993 March On Washington. Among other things, the President's attendance would certainly increase media coverage and secure added visibility for lesbian, gay and bisexual issues and the events surrounding the March on Washington.

Send your invitation to Bill Clinton, President of the United States, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, DC 20500, tel. 202-456-1414.

Radio activism

A one minute radio public service announcement (PSA) is available for distribution to activists around the country. The ad, produced by Gay and

Lesbian Activists Alliance (GLAA) and the Gay and Lesbian Education Fund in Washington, D.C., highlights the discrimination and stigmatization often faced by lesbians and gay people. The PSA is on a tape ready for radio station use. Contact the radio stations you listen to, and urge them to air this and other affirmative PSA's. To get a copy of the tape, call GLAA at 202-667-5139.

Celestial arts/ten speed press

A copy of the new edition of *Positively Gay*, edited by Dr. Betty Berzon, has been sent to every member of the United States Congress and to key military leaders. Celestial/Ten Speed Press, which publishes the book, hopes to provide these politicians and policy makers with accurate information about lesbian and gay citizens. Hoping to do just the opposite, a California-based hate group has already circulated the homophobic video "The Gay Agenda" throughout Capitol Hill. *Positively Gay*, is a 1993 finalist for the American Library Association gay and lesbian non-fiction book award, and offers a range of information on such topics as job security, parenting, and youth issues. In his forward to the book, Congressperson Barney Frank writes: "We must prevail against the fear mongers and moral terrorists who would exploit unreasonable prejudice to build a case against us. To thank the publishers for their contribution to fighting

fear mongers, write to Celestial Arts Publishing, P.O. Box 7123, Berkeley, CA 94707, tel. 510-845-8414.

Science

The editor of *Science* magazine is looking for "good stories" about lesbian and gay scientists in anticipation of a major article on the subject. Story suggestions should be sent to the National Organization of Gay and Lesbian Scientists and Technical Professionals, P. O. Box

Electronic gay magazine

An on-line computerized publication, the *Electronic Gay Community Magazine*, is distributed to thousand of readers across the county. Articles are updated and available for distribution daily, and the magazine is distributed free of charge to gay and gay-supportive computer bulletin board systems in the U.S. If you have an IBM-PC compatible computer system, write for a diskette copy of the magazine. Contact: The Land of Awes, Box 16782, Wichita, KS 67216-0782, tel. 316-269-0913, fax 316-269-4209.

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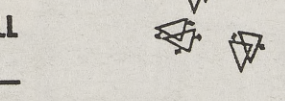
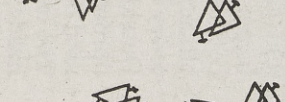
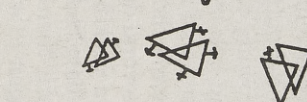
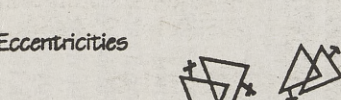
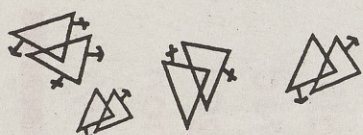
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On June 27th, 1969, police and Alcoholic Beverage Control agents entered The Stonewall Inn, a gay bar located at 51-53 Christopher street, in New York's Greenwich Village. They were allegedly there to look for violations of the alcohol control laws. During their visit, they made the usual homophobic comments and then, after checking the patrons identification, started throwing them out of the bar, one by one. Usually the patrons would quietly slip away into the night, as they had done for years. Instead, hustlers, drag queens, students and other patrons held their ground and fought back.

The unexpectedly angry crowd soon swelling to nearly 400 gathered outside and began throwing coins, beer bottles and bricks. The officers retreated into the bar to try to avoid the crowd. Outside, several demonstrators uprooted a parking meter and used it to barricade the door. The officers, then trapped inside, began to wreck the place and called for reinforcements.

More police vehicles raced to the scene with lights and sirens blaring. The crowd finally began to disperse with the arrival of police reinforcements. The rioting lasted approximately forty-five minutes. For three days people protested. And for the first time, after innumerable years of oppression, the chant "Gay Power" rang out.

A brief report of the confrontation—POLICE-MEN HURT IN 'VILLAGE'—appeared on page 33 of *The New York Times* two days later. The placement of the article showed how insignificant the press believed that event to be.

What in gay history had led up to that event?

Homosexuals in the 20's were very closeted. They hid and kept quiet about their sexuality. It wasn't something that was spoken about often, but when it was people didn't use the word "homosexual", that was a dirty word. People referred to gay men as "temperamental" or "that way".

It was dangerous to be gay. If one was found to be gay, they could be subject to being

underground. Names such as Natalie Barnet, Langston Hughes, Margaret Anderson, Tennessee Williams, and Gertrude Stein, to name a few. (Between 1890 and 1940, there were approximately 500 novels with lesbian and gay content or themes.)

For a brief time there was a wave of novels and hit Broadway plays such as "The Well of Loneliness", and "The Captive". These books and plays caused public discord due to their content. The controversial play "The Children's Hour", by Lillian Hellman, was tolerated as long as the word "lesbian" wasn't used.

The Nazis virtually obliterated the gay population in Germany.

This time period also saw the motion picture industry ban all homosexual content.

In the U.S. the 30's brought on hard times. As the economy deteriorated, both the radical left and right swelled their ranks. Socially, the 30's were known as the "Twilight World". Gays were totally disrespected and were thought to have questionable morals, along with anyone from the art or dance world.

The late 30's Germanys' society was more open to homosexuals. The affluent would frequent the cabarets, that were owned and operated by gays and gay entertainers. This was considered the "in" thing to do. Gay men were even allowed to dress up as women out in public, as long as they registered with the government first. However, when Hitler came into power, and started to round up the Jews, he also rounded up the gays. It was easy to find them, considering many of them had registered. The Nazis virtually obliterated the gay population in Germany by sending them off to the concentration camps.

When the war was over, the concentration camps were

Eisenhower's command.

On the home front, a radical social change was taking place. Since most able men were drafted, it left the workplace available to women. Lesbians suddenly didn't have to be married to have economic freedom. They had access to various kinds of jobs, and did everything from manufacturing, to flying planes and producing food. The lesbians gathered in the large metropolitan areas, where the jobs were. They had freedom and money and were able to do what they wanted. Due to dangers in the workplace, it became common to see women in slacks, with short hair, on the street coming to and from work. This was the first time women could leave home independently.

The gay population in the larger metropolitan areas grew during this time. Hundreds of gay bars sprung up as gay military personnel visited the port cities. Gay people began to realize that there were others like themselves. They were closeted, but no longer geographically isolated.

After the war, gay and lesbian soldiers settled in port cities, away from the criticisms of their families. They sought the companionship of the lesbian and gay population.

When the male veterans came home after the war, they wanted their jobs back, and forced the women back into the traditional roles. The "McCarthy Era" caused the nation to slip back into the dark ages. The people were looking for an enemy; queers, anyone who was considered deviant—sexually, politically, whatever. Hysteria was being created by saying things such as the Soviet Union was using gay people as spies. There was even an executive order that screened personnel coming into government. "Executive Order 10450", stated that a person who had a top secret clearance could not continue after having acknowledged involvement in homosexual activity. Anyone who was found to be homosexual was released of their job. They had an opportunity to appeal, however, there were very few trials ever held.

During that period, if one was found to be gay in the military, they were questioned

were approximately 2 million gay men and lesbians. The importance was that it gave great hope, due to the fact that they were starting to be recognized as being sizeable in numbers. It shook people up. In the 1950's, the first gay organization was founded by a group of men. The organization was called the "Mattachine Society". In the beginning they were very careful with what they said and did, because they didn't want to hinder the gay movement in the years to come. They so feared being arrested, that at the first meeting, they met at an apartment in Los Angeles, behind closed doors, with the curtains drawn. They even had a look out watching for the police. They determined that what they had was a social problem that needed to be dealt with. They met, many of them for the first time in a social setting, as a type of support group. They realized that they were good people, not bad people. In addition to sponsoring discussion groups and fighting police entrapments, a group of men started the first gay magazines; "Mattachine Review" and "One". These magazines came literally, and socially out of the closet.

In San Francisco, 1953, Del Martin and Phyllis Lyons, started the first lesbian organization called the "Daughters of Bilitis". It was a womens' organization that offered a supportive atmosphere for lesbians. Education for its' members as well as the public were its' primary goals. The group produced "The Ladder", a journal that was passed around from one lesbian to another, across the country. That publication started connecting the community. Some lesbians were so terrified and excited at the same time, that they would call to thank the editors, but wouldn't have the courage to leave their names.

As more and more gays and lesbians found each other, they began to realize, that being abused physically and verbally, was no longer acceptable.

Lesbians started taking on roles, passive and aggressive. (Butch or Femme) The reason was that it was safer, when out in public, that one of them had

gay men. They tried to get them to say anything sexual, and then arrest them.

In San Francisco, the "Black Cat Cafe" helped make gays more visible. So much so that in 1959, race for mayor challenger, Russell Wolden, attacked Mayor Christopher for allowing San Francisco to become a homosexual haven. Woldens' strategy backfired, and Christopher won the race by a landslide. After he was reelected however, Christopher declared war on the Black Cat and other gay bars. The bar owners organized themselves into a "Tavern Guild", and began to fight back. They charged the police with extortion. The politicians began to realize that there was a gay voting population, but it didn't take effect until later. The "Tavern Guild" lost in court, so they took it to the ballot box. They ran the Black Cats' star attraction, Jose Sarria, for city supervisor. There was a city-wide campaign, and he ended up getting about 8,000 votes. Some gays were afraid to vote for him because he was a gay candidate.

The connection between black liberation, womens' liberation, and gay liberation ran very deep. Since the gays were not yet ready to stand up for themselves, they joined another movement in progress, that represented their civil rights also. Several of the priests that joined up with Martin Luther King Jr. were gay males. Within that movement, many people, gays and straights, were starting to see that their needs weren't being met either. The people in the gay movement became more militant. They began to see that the problem of homosexuality wasn't their problem. It was the problem of the social attitudes around them. What they realized that they needed to do was change the attitudes of the people around them. That in turn, would help the gay community with their self image.

The white, gay people, who had investments in the civil

Some gays were afraid to vote for him because

hard to overcome, was that gays were mentally ill. This concept created intense debate. Ronald Reagan had stated that "I happen to describe to the belief that it is a tragic illness." Elliotts' psychiatric viewpoint treated homosexuality as psychologically pathological.

When the hippies' came on the scene, it added to the freedom that the gays were looking for. Freedom to dress any way they wanted. The beehive hair dos came down. Women were ironing their hair now. It started to dissolve the stereotypes of what gays looked like. There was free love on the streets. San Francisco became the city of love.

In the latter part of the 60's, as the blacks began to demonstrate, so did the gays. It had enormous impact on the gay society. It seemed as though the young gays were the ones who decided it was ok to fight, and fight they did. There was very volatile acts of political feelings, especially among the young people.

When the subject of "Stonewall" comes up, some now ask "what was so special about that moment?" There was no one thing about it, other than everything coming together in one of those "moments in history". Those who were there just knew, "this is it!". That was the moment that they had been waiting for.—The decision was made, "we've had enough". A sense of power from that event radiated across the country.—The distinguished psychologist Rollo May, once said "to admit our own individual feelings of powerlessness—that we count for little; that the values to which our parents devoted their lives are to us insubstantial and worthless; that we feel ourselves to be "faceless others," insignificant to other people and therefore not worth much to ourselves—that is, indeed, difficult to admit." I believe that in the history of the gay community, this applied to many, but applies no more.

Currently, in the U.S., we are looking at a president in the White House who is sensitive to "equality for all", an outward attempt to end the ban on homosexuals in the military, and senators and

use the word "homosexual", that was a dirty word. People referred to gay men as "temperamental" or "that way".

It was dangerous to be gay. If one was found to be gay, they could be subject to being institutionalized, imprisoned or both. Often times the end result was suicide. It wasn't uncommon for the police to arrest a suspected homosexual on the street, and have them locked up in a mental ward.

Identification of one another was difficult. One way was to wear a red necktie. The men used to stand outside of department store windows for long periods of time. When they noticed another gentleman standing there also, one would ask the other if he "had a match", or "the time".

The 20's, also known as the "gay 20's" found the gay communities gathering in speak easys. Bohemian neighborhoods such as San Francisco's Barbary Coast, New Orleans' French Quarter, New York's Harlem and Greenwich Village. Fewer social norms allowed the beginnings of a social underground.

When the homosexuals were cast out of the "gentile society", they found a comfortable world, with each other, in which to create. Many important intellectual thinkers emerged from the homosexual

community. Considering many of them had registered. The Nazis virtually obliterated the gay population in Germany by sending them off to the concentration camps.

When the war was over, the concentration camps were liberated by the allied forces. The allied forces freed the Jews, and imprisoned the gays. The way they were able to tell them apart was that the Jews wore a yellow patch of the "Star of David", and the gay men wore a patch of a "pink triangle", and the lesbians wore a patch of a "black triangle". (The upside down Pink Triangle is now considered the "Gay Pride" triangle, for both men and women).

WWII began a movement of major patriotism in the U.S. You either joined the military, or worked in "the war effort" in an industry that supported the troops. Because of this, thousands of gays and lesbians previously isolated, were brought together. Many of the officers in the military were gay men. Many gay men joined the military, partly, to break the stereotype of the "effeminate" man.

There was a tolerance for lesbians in the military, where they were needed. Certain battalions were known to contain 95% lesbians. Among them were the most highly decorated women in the war, including a battalion under

found to be homosexual was released of their job. They had an opportunity to appeal, however, there were very few trials ever held.

During that period, if one was found to be gay in the military, they were questioned endlessly, usually until the person finally gave in and signed a statement, telling their story. Some of the interrogations would last as long as ten or eleven months. Usually part of the agreement was that if someone incriminated the other party involved, they would be given a "general discharge", and the military would agree not to contact the other parties family. However, more cases than not, the discharge would be filed as "undesirable discharge", and the families notified anyway. When these people left the service, they were disintegrated. No self image, no prospects for a profitable tomorrow. Many felt in a state of limbo.

Many gays tried marriage. One of the reasons was the social pressure to do so. The social pressure was very strong during that time. Marriage was considered to be a sort of "homosexual panic"

One of the first breakthroughs for the gay community occurred in the 50's. The "Kinsey Report" provided strong estimates that there

being abused physically and verbally, was no longer acceptable.

Lesbians started taking on roles, passive and aggressive. (Butch or Femme) The reason was that it was safer, when out in public, that one of them had to dress and appear as if she were a man. It wasn't acceptable for women to be out on their own after dark.

In the 60's the bar scene was really taking off. However, the police were constantly harassing people that frequented the bars. The police would bring paddy wagons and literally back them up to the front of the bar and start arresting people. It didn't matter who you were — gay, straight, or otherwise. They would arrest gay men on the street if they appeared a little "nellie". They would push up against them or antagonize them enough so the gays would mouth off, and the police would claim that they were resisting arrest. The gays called the police actions "vigilante mentality." Once arrested, they would be booked into jail. Upon their release the next day, they would find that their names had been listed in the newspaper. This resulted in lost jobs, lost housing, and rejection from families. The police began to send out "undercover cops." They would do their best to set up

Some gays were afraid to vote for him because he was a gay candidate

rights movement, had the experience of the liberation movement. They learned confrontational techniques in behalf of their own movement.

The womens' movement provided a safe haven for women who were struggling with their sexuality. Lesbians were in the forefront, the very beginning of "National Organization of Women" (NOW).

1965 was a big picketing year. The first day the gays picketed the white house for several hours. They were expecting to have things thrown at them, or be arrested, but that didn't happen.

They began to appear on radio talk shows. They started "outing" themselves. The idea was to get as much exposure as possible. This was at the risk of losing their jobs, homes and families.

One viewpoint that was

Currently, in the U.S., we are looking at a president in the White House who is sensitive to "equality for all", an outward attempt to end the ban on homosexuals in the military, and senators and congressmembers, who have shown their commitment to making civil rights apply to gays and lesbians, as well as others.

The most inspiring of all, is that once the gay community realized that it counted, and had the power to create change, it did just that. The President, Congress, Senate, Governor, Mayors and City Council are being elected into office with the help of the gay vote.

In a recent letter received by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF), from President Clinton, he wrote; "Without your support, our victory on November 3rd would not have been possible. I now ask you again for your help and support in implementing the changes that are needed to get America moving forward once more. Thank you."

The spirit of the "Stonewall Riot" sent people into action. By joining and uniting, voices are being heard, in large cities and small towns around the world.▼

STONEWALL

BY CATHERINE MEYERS
SPECIAL TO MGW



Chapter Thirteen

This is the story of Adam...

Previously: After being forbidden to bring Larry with him on his birthday, Adam did so behind his mother's back. He was not aware that his mother and the rest of his family was planning a surprise party on his behalf.

The family was all aglow with their surprise. Expressions quickly changed when Larry walked up behind me. Faces became drawn. They all looked at each other. No one

knew quite what to say. My mother's anger was not hidden.

"What is HE doing here," she said rudely, as though he weren't even there.

I was speechless. I didn't

know what to say. I ran out to the car ashamed and embarrassed.

My brother in law had been at the door with his video camera ready to video tape my reaction to the surprise. Months later I saw the tape and heard exactly what had been said between my mother and Larry.

"I want you to stay away from my son! You are nothing but trouble!" My mother accused.

"I am just his friend! I am trying to help him.. He has been through a rough time!" Larry answered boldly.

My mother loomed over him and stared at him coldly. "He almost died because of you! Stay away from him! You don't need him. He certainly doesn't need you."

My brother in law had moved the camera when he realized what he was taping. He fidgeted with the camera taping the family in hopes the fiasco would soon blow over. My family sat silent. Each one looked at the other as though they were searching for how to feel and react to the situation. My family was not a stranger to drama, but this, even for them, was a quite a bit to handle.

I waited for them outside when my mother stormed out.

"I can't believe this!" she began in a livid tone. "How the hell was I supposed to know that you were all going to be here!"

"It was going to be a surprise! That's why I didn't want you to bring Larry! You know he is not welcome by the family!"

"I didn't think the family was going to be here!" I

yelled back.

"Well if you hadn't lied and told me that you decided not to bring him I would have made other plans!" she screamed.

"Well if YOU hadn't lied and told me that you were going to be out of town than maybe I would have made other plans!"

"That is not fair We were trying to do something nice for you, that was the only reason that I lied."

"I was only trying to do something nice for myself and have my best friend around on my birthday! That is why I lied."

"Why is that punk your best friend? I don't understand that. You have been so sulky in the last year. You have been obsessing over him for so long! If you really want to move on and have a happy relationship with Amanda then you should stop seeing him!"

"No! That is not it at all! I just have been a little screwed up. I had lost my place when I wrote all that stuff in my diary that you read! I do care about him, but I have stopped obsessing. I think this isn't about Halloween at all! I think this is about your little baby boy finding something else to love besides you! You are jealous plain and simple. Perhaps if you hadn't smothered me so much I would have turned out normal!"

She said nothing. Her eyes showed severe pain as she stood there motionless absorbing the shock of what had just flown out of her sons mouth.

Guilt flooded me. The statement was probably the

most evil thing I had ever said to the most loving person I have ever known. "Mom.. I am sorry. I did not mean that. This is all so hard for me. I am trying to do the right thing. You can't just up and stop caring for someone. Larry saved my life. He knew that I was screwed up and that I had a crush on him but he still came for me,— helped me. He's the only person who ran to me knowing that is what I wanted and needed. He was the only one who payed close enough attention to know that is what I wanted and needed. That is a true friend and I can't give him up. If it is any consolation he is moving really soon all the way to Florida. Give me this, because soon I will have nothing."

"Okay. I suppose that we will have to adjust." was all she said as she turned and walked away.

The party was bizarre. Everybody had seen me explode and now tip toed around me giving fake smiles. They all pretended like they did not mind Larry's presence, but ignored him.

The family fawned over Amanda playing how pleased they were that I had a girlfriend. I bit my lip and went on with the charade.

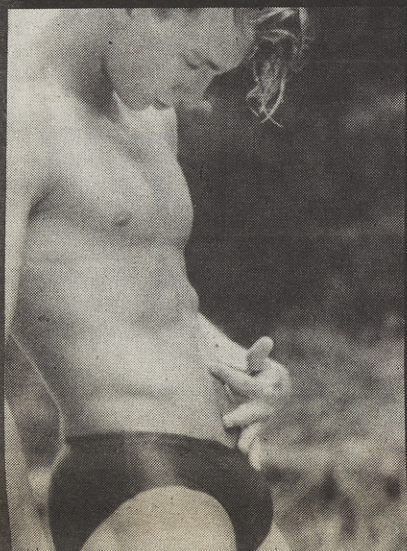
Amanda never asked me what the conflict was about so I did not mention it. She was not one to rock the boat or nose in where she was afraid she might find something that would destroy her fantasy world. In a way that lessened my respect for her. This made her seem spineless. Looking back I am pretty sure she knew, but simply hoped that things would get better.

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BOOKS

by Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

▼ CONDUCT UNBECOMING *Lesbians and gays in the U.S. Military*

By Randy Shilts
St. Martin's,
784 pages, \$27.95

Appearing in bookstores the week before the March on Washington, in the midst of the armed services' struggle over its own sense of mission with an Administration that purports to uphold equal treatment of all its citizens, not enough can be said about this book. There is much history here, showing how the fight for equality of gays in the military progressed from the Continental Army to the present, heading in an apparently irreversible direction into the future, a river of growing force surging forward. Beyond the history, Shilts' book documents the military's investigative process, its snooping and threats and misuse of psychiatrists, how it teaches and enforces hatred. Individual episodes tell the story, mini-biographies documenting the military's expulsion and treatment of gays — including the poignant story of local Sacramentan Paul Starr-Fuhr, an exemplary Air Force career officer court-martialed and jailed for being gay. As Congress and the American public prepare for inevitable changes in the military establishment, the extent of the abuses documented provide an opportunity for people to make their own judgments, and the conclusion for any rational person is obvious.

▼ MUSES FROM CHAOS AND ASH — *AIDS, Artists, and Art*

By Andrea Vaucher
Grove Press, 260 pages,
\$22.50

Consists of interviews with 24 artists that include Robert Mapplethorpe, Paul Monett, and Larry Kramer. Parts of each interview is contained within the book's chapters; it may have been

easier to read with each interview presented as its own chapter, but nonetheless the book contains valuable lessons of how these artists have emotionally and intellectually met the AIDS crisis in their lives.

▼ LANDSCAPE WITH-OUT GRAVITY — *A Memoir of Grief*

By Barbara Lazear Ascher
Delphinium Books,
272 pages, \$20

A sister discovers that her gay brother is HIV positive. She tells how her family's love for him "let the light in" for them before he died.

▼ DRAGON WITHIN THE GATES — *The Once and Future AIDS Epidemic*

By Stephen Joseph, MD
Carroll and Graf,
272 pages, \$20.95

Deals with the "big picture" of AIDS. Former commissioner of health in New York City, Dr. Joseph discusses how the needle exchange, testing, and other policies he espoused met with fierce political opposition, as well as his viewpoint that HIV does discriminate, that every American is NOT at risk, and that AIDS prevention education needs to be focused on the persons at greatest risk (gay men, IV drug users, heterosexual partners of drug users or of bisexual men).



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▼ DANCING ON THE MOON — *Short Stories About AIDS*

By Jamison Currier
Viking,
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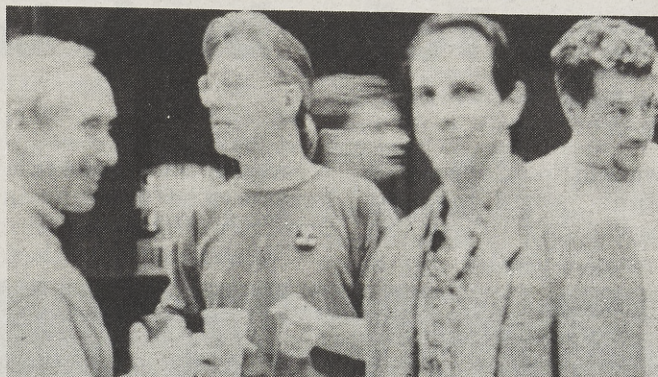
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Anna Freud:

Gays Take back Lesbianism

By Dell Richards
MGW Staff

Sigmund Freud's daughter, Anna, world reknown psychoanalyst wrote her first article "Beating Fanta-

of evil, she never came to terms with her love for Dorothy Burlingham. They had been together



Eleanor Roosevelt by Blanche Wiesen Cook.

sies and Daydreams" on the means turns-of-the-century adolescents to stop masturbating. "Self-abuse" was thought to be not only immoral but dangerously unhealthy. It could lead to insanity, lesbianism and death (as well as acne, halitosis and constipation.)

Despite analysis, Anna was apparently as guilt-ridden as anyone when it comes to the joys of "self-love." Though being a psychologist, she used the fantasies leading up to the event (and the "punishment" she then had to inflict) to write about the mind.

Thus began Anna Freud's work in psychoanalysis, work that would lead to the creation of the field of child therapy.

We can assume that Anna Freud eventually resolved her guilt over masturbation. A few years later, she became involved with the daughter of famed stained-glass maker, Louis Tiffany. But because Freud lived at a time when lesbians were thought to be the incarnation

more than 25 years when Freud began studying homosexuality and trying to cure them with analysis.

Anna Freud's life illustrates the effect society had on lesbian relationships prior to Stonewall, when for the first time in history gays began to insist on their own definition of gay. Early in her relationship—when Anna still was "just a therapist" of Dorothy's eldest son—she wrote to a friend: "I think sometimes I want not only to make them healthy but also, at the same time, to have them, or at least have something of them, for myself... in every nook and cranny of my life."

She wanted what everyone wants—a family. But by the time Freud made that statement in the 1920's lesbians was definite guilt producer, much worse than masturbation.

Believe it or not, it hasn't always been that way.

Thirty years early, the era Anna was born, lesbianism was the highest ideal a

woman could aspire to. In the 1890's society thought that two women in love was the purest form of emotion. Women could hold hands in public, dance together, write passionate love letters and dream of living together—and no one thought anything of it.

Until sexologists like Havelock Ellis and Freud's father, Sigmund, began writing about sexuality and saying that women not only "enjoyed it" but wanted it, "romantic friends" were the epitome of love. But Freud and Ellis, among others, blew the lid off that.

"You mean those women are having sex?"

By the time Anna met Dorothy, the 1920's, romantic friendships had taken a public relations nosedive from which it still hasn't recovered.

Prior to the 20th century, homosexuality wasn't considered deviant. Until sexologists invented words like "heterosexual" and "homosexual" in the 1890's the world wasn't divided into an "us" and them sexuality.

Bringing their own homophobia into the picture, historians still are trying to say that women like Anna Freud and reformers like Florence Nightingale, both profiled in Richards' upcoming book, "Superstars: Twelve Lesbians

Who Changed the World," weren't gay.

In the 1988 biography of Anna Freud, Elisabeth Young-Bruehl writes "despite persistent rumors that the two friends were lesbians," their relationship was "chaste"—as if she were in the bedroom herself. Ironically, she calls Anna Freud a "Vestal virgin" not realizing that the original vestals held the highly respectable position of temple prostitute. In gay Greek times, the highest ideal for men and women was loving someone of the same sex—with sexuality assumed. Prior to the Christians, virgin meant unmarried, not celibate.

Unless the historian is gay they will do anything to protect their chosen subject from the taint of scandal. Insisting on proof of a sexual relationship keeps lesbianism out of the picture (since it's

impossible to prove) and ignores the real basis of homosexual relations: affection, trust, respect, shared worldview and culture.

Even the passionate letters of First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt to Lorena Hickok, shown in Blanche Wiesen Cook's recent biography of ER, were dismissed by Roosevelt's family as a "school girl crush."

Roosevelt was middle-aged when she wrote: "I wish I could lie down beside you tonight and take you in my arms... Only eight more days... Most clearly I remember your eyes, with a kind of teasing smile in them, and the feeling of that soft spot just north-east of the corner of your mouth against my lips...." Freud and Burlingham didn't live together until they were in their mid-fifties. As the unmarried daughter, Anna

was expected to care for her elderly parents. But their relationship lasted more than 50 years. On Dorothy's death, her son, Michael wrote about his mother assuage Anna's grief: "You were everything to her and she had a most wonderful life with you; how fortunate she was in finding and capturing someone like you."

Anna Freud probed her own psyche relentlessly, questioning her motives and writing about her own behavior. But she never questioned society, never questioned the change scientists like her father had brought to lesbianism. It would take Stonewall, the current gay rights movement and the battle now raging for gays to take back lesbianism and redefined it themselves. ▼

Dell Richards is a nationally syndicated journalist whose new book "Superstars" will be out in September.

ENTERTAINMENT

Garbeau's Too

by Andross
MGW STAFF

Friday and Saturday, May 14th and 15th marked the official opening of "Garbeau's Too!" a night club providing fine dining, murder mystery theater, and cabaret.

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room in the building is absolutely gorgeous.

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Sex, Drugs, Rock & Roll

By Andross and Steve Mark
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When a theater goer goes to see a one man show there is usually a sense of skepticism because they are not going to see a full cast of characters complete with settings costumes, lighting etc. However, your doubts will quickly diminish within the first few moments of viewing "Sex Drugs Rock & Roll". The one man show is running from May 19th through June 5th at the "B" st. Theater. The "One Man" is David DiFrancesco and his performance is riveting!

In the space of an hour and a half DiFrancesco portrays several different types of people ranging from an ex-con to an "A-type" business man, without stop. These are people whom many of us would look upon as the "dregs" of society with a wide range of peculiarities, addictions, and sins. Amongst the characters portrayed is that of the "Party Dude". As the lone character tells a nonexistent friend of the goings on of a stag party, a grueling encounter of decadent drug use resulting in a dangerous run in with bikers is contrasted by his explanation of how much fun it was. In essence, the writer attempts to portray how, while in the gutter, one has a tendency to believe he/she is in heaven.

Another outstanding sketch stars a successful business man whose life is revealed through various phone conversations from discussions with his wife, girlfriend, business partner, and secretary. DiFrancesco falls into the "New York" accent with ease as he does with the mannerisms of all the characters portrayed.

David DiFrancesco is a professional who divides his time between Sacramento and Wisconsin. He has performed "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest", "Streetcar Named Desire", "Taming of the Shrew", "Orphans", "Biloxi Blues", "Noises Off", and "Richard the Third" in Sacramento. In a matter of moments DiFrancesco had completely changed charac-



David DiFrancesco in his one man show Sex, Drugs & Rock and Roll at the "B" Street Theatre.

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ters, and in addition is convincing in each of the eleven characters. The writing is well done, but not just anyone could have pulled it off as DiFrancesco did.

The play is a rollercoaster of conflicting emotions and garbled anger. One leaves it not quite sure what the author wanted them to feel. At times it feels like the show is nothing more than a form of a Zoo, where all the "Okay" people go to see the lower "dysfunctional" people in their natural habitat. It

doesn't seem that was the authors intent. What ever the intent the final outcome is moving, disturbing, and touching.

The "B" St. Theater will be performing "Some Things You Need to Know Before the World Ends (A Final Evening With the Illuminati)" by Larry Larson and Levi Lee; directed by Buck Busfield. "Illuminati" is tentatively scheduled to preview May 8th, premier on June 15th and run through July 3rd.▼

Gwen Avery...



MGW/Julia Gaston

Gwen Avery, a vocalist from San Francisco, entertained SACWN members in the Galleria Penthouse at their recent gathering.

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The verbal battles result in the eventual murder of one of the team. The audience is left to ponder who the killer is, their motive, and method. Awards are given out ranging from the best to the worst guess. The play is campy, and tends to be a bit hammish at times, but as a whole is a delight. The cast did an excellent job pulling it off.

The dinner is prepared buffet style by Tony Sangunetti, a graduate of The Culinary Institute of New York. The buffet is a cornucopia of fine flavors that even the most finicky pallets will find no trouble in enjoying. Unlike many restaurants Garbeau's Too is up with the times, with large quantities of vegetables and fruits available, many white meats, and not an over abundance of red meats.

After the dinner and show you can stay for the dazzling cabaret show, or for twenty dollars have dinner and see the cabaret only. You can also skip dinner altogether and with an eight dollar minimum drink/food pur-

chase and come to the cabaret.

Gaiel Von heads up the cabaret backed up by Bass guitar, piano, and drums. Belting out tunes ranging from Blues, Gospel, Jazz, to Modern. The hour and a half show seems to whiz by smoothly leaving you wanting more. During the show Gaiel reads a poem, sings, laughs, and wakes the audience up with her lively performance.

The entire operation is overseen by Shannon of Faces. It is quite a sight to see him in a suit using his great energy to insure that the patrons are getting the best service possible. With the two shows, and dinner Shannon manages the juggling act without a hitch.

Garbeau's Too will be having something going on every night of the week. Coming up they will feature William Hedge performing "aaah! Yes it's Love!" starting June 28th, and running for up to five weeks. On June 17th Garbeau's will present the Rainbow Festival kick off fund-raiser starring Jim Bailly. Info: 985-6361. ▼

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Gay/lesbian video presents "Human Face" to Congress, Pentagon on military vs. homosexual issue

Declaring that "The Media War is on," a grass roots group of gay and lesbian television industry professionals, backed by actress Cybill Shepherd and a contingent of heterosexual supporters, delivered their first video volley on Capitol Hill. The video, "To Support and Defend," presents "the faces behind the issues" in the current Senate hearing on President Clinton's proposal to lift the military ban on homosexuals. "Most people who oppose lifting this ban don't realize they already have co-workers, close friends, even relatives who are gay or lesbian," say Shepherd in the introduction of the tape. "But in this tape you'll get to know men and women who are in the trenches."

"Other videos now circulating through Congress have preyed on ignorance and fear to spread stereotypes of gays and lesbians," said Co-Producer Wilson. "'To Support and Defend' is a dignified, honest effort to put a human face on this issue. So far, the debates have neglected those most affected. This tape will provide Members of Congress and officials at the Pentagon with a rational discussion of the issues from some very articulate and well-informed soldiers, sailors and fliers. These are outstanding people with brilliant records. It is important testimony -- and they deserve to be heard. If Representatives are truly interested in understanding this issue, they will want to watch this tape."

MGW Newspaper has a copy of the tape for organizations to borrow and view. Call 441-NEWS

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frequency of sexual activity. In addition, Dr. Herek reports that gay men and lesbians are no less able than heterosexuals to control their sexual or

education programs, sensitivity training, and strong leadership from high-ranking officers have been key to implementing successful nondiscriminatory policies.

Dr. Herek reported that public opinion polls conducted before 1992 indicated



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romantic urges, refrain from the abuse of power, obey rules and laws, interact effectively with others, or exercise good judgment in handling authority. Dr. Herek also noted that sexual orientation is not associated with impaired psychological functioning.

Dr. Herek observed that many major civilian employers -- including large corporations, universities, and local government -- do not perceive a problem with hiring gay men and lesbians as employees or managers. He also reported that police and sheriff's department have successfully integrated openly lesbian and gay male officers into their ranks, as have the armed forces of other countries -- including Denmark, The Netherlands, and Sweden. Although some heterosexual personnel in those organization have responded negatively to lesbians and gay men, Dr. Herek noted that

steadily increasing acceptance for gay people in the military. After President Clinton announced his intention to reverse the policy, however, public opinion because more polarized and volatile. Dr. Herek noted that the disparate finding in recent opinion polls may result partly from variations in how the surveys were conducted, including differences in the way that questions were worked. He suggested that the public many support allowing gay people to serve in the military when the issue is framed solely in terms of employment rights, but may become more polarized when gay rights are portrayed as incompatible with military effectiveness. He suggested that acceptance for a new policy may not be widespread until most Americans are convinced that the armed forces will not be unduly disrupted or impaired. ▼

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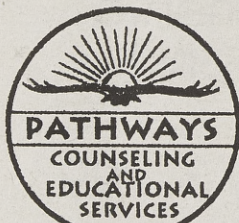
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Helping Rover age gracefully

By Joan B. Guertin
MGW Staff

Time passes by so quickly, but never more so than in relation to our beloved pets. One day Rover is a puppy, gamboling by your side, full of vitality, game to meet any challenge and fully capable of doing so. Then, almost in the blink of an eye the walks take longer because ten or twelve years have slowed the old boy/girl down. Often the enthusiasm is there, but the stamina isn't. The lithe, graceful young dog is now bordering on obesity and the once clear eye is now clouded. Aging is an inevitability, however, there are things that we can and should do to make sure that this time is as easy on the older dog as possible.

As never before, your vet now should become your best resource for problems. There are many physical and psychological changes that take place in the older dog and it is never too soon to begin thinking about them. Discuss the risks of aging with your vet and work to make the transition into Senior status as easy as possible on your four-legged friend.

Take particular care with diet. Major dog food companies make a senior diet for the older dog which they consider to be from about seven years and up. As the dog ages, the metabolism changes and food requirements are different. This is the time to make sure that close attention is paid to the amount of weight that the dog carries. An obese dog will be living on borrowed time. Watch for such things as problems with the teeth, dental care is important. Keep the nails trimmed so that your friend can maneuver his old body more easily and be aware that internal problems can arise with such organs as the bladder and kidneys.

Cleanliness is important. Keep the bedding,

sleeping area, food and water dishes scrupulously clean to cut down on illness or infections. The dog should be bathed frequently to keep it free of parasites, fleas and skin irritations that come with age.

Be aware also that the senses are not as sharp in the older dog as they were when he was a youngster. He may startle at loud sounds or someone walking up behind or surprising him when he's asleep so he needs to be protected from those who may not be aware that the old boy is slowing down. Children, in particular need to be aware that they should not startle an older dog to avoid the possibility of dog bites.

The most important thing to remember at this time in your faithful pups life is that he will need lots of T.L.C., Tender Loving Care, and of course, a great deal of patience and compassion. He's served you well over his lifetime and his waning years should be made as pleasant and comfortable as is humanly possible. Now is not the time to relegate him to a backyard and neglect. Now more that ever he needs your love and loyalty. Whether he lives to be seven or 15, Rover needs a return on the unconditional love that he so unselfishly has given out.

A must for anyone living with an aging dog or cat is "Yes, Virginia... There IS a Pet Heaven." This paperback book is self-published by author Corienne "Corky" Jones and is available from Pebbles Publishing, P.O. Box 1432, Beaverton, OR 97075-1432 for \$12.95, or call your local book store. Inspired by her 15 year old dog Pebbles, the book gives insights into the many and varied problems that senior pets are privy too. It is a warm, compassionate exploration into the life of

the senior pet and how to literally turn many of the negatives into positives.

Another excellent book for those needing information on their senior pet is "Old Dogs, Old Friends," by Chris Walkowicz and Bonnie Wilcox, DVM, Howell, 1991, a combination health care and training book for making the most of your dogs older years.

Local Dates....

On a much lighter note, the long awaited Volunteer Program for Sacramento County Animal Control will be launched with a meeting on Wednesday, June 9, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at the Sacramento County Health and Human Services Building, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 3701 Branch Center Rd. At this meeting specifics of the program will be made available. Essentially volunteers will be responsible to two major areas, animal adoptions and lost and found. The success of the Volunteer Program relies on the quality of the volunteers. The Sacramento Council of Dog Clubs has been working with Sacramento Animal Control over the past several month in the development of the program and the creation of the volunteer handbook. The Volunteer Program is a much needed service to strengthen the service of Animal Control to the public. Many lost pets can be reunited with their owners and many wonderful pets can find new homes with our help. Plan now to attend the meeting and become a part of this very worthwhile project.

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Adventurous GWM, blue/brown, 38, NS, into outdoors, movies, hiking, homelife. Looking for younger GM for sincere relationship-minded, top/bottom. 922-4781.

GWM, 31, 115lb, 5'3, blue eyes, looking for love + friendship, no game players. Claudio 448-9176.

SWM, 29, HIV+, blonde/grn, hairy bottom must, 150 lbs. WLTM tall masc. top for fun, dating, leather +. Kevin 446-1058, lv. message.

GWM HIV - 5'10" top seeking HIV-bottom GW/A/HM who can sew: NS/ND physically fit, enjoys variety, under 35 to share time with. John 649-3965 no phone sex.

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Roommates

GF to share 2 bdr house, Carm, lg yd, pets ok, FP, WD, \$300/mo + 1/2 utilities, no deposit, 944-4676. 5/15

Rm. for rent, near City college, Female only. Share 3 bd., 2 ba, home w/WD, 2 lg. labs, 3 cats & 1 GF. Pos. attitude & privacy a must. Pvt. ba & phone. \$325 mo. + 1/2 util. Some storage negotiable. Sorry no dogs 6/15

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GWM seeks to share 3 bdrm/1 ba, home prefer non-smoker. W/D, cable, fireplace, own phone. \$350 + 1/2 util. Near City College, 737-2130 5/15

Share house with GM. Must be employed, NS/ND and responsible: serious calls only. John 649-3965 till 10pm. No phone sex. 6/1

Friendly, easy-going GWM, 28, NS, seeks rm near McClellan AFB, Tues, Wed nights, other nights I'm in SF. Phil, Tue, Wed, Thur 9 am - 5 pm 916-643-4280 ext 38, 415-821-9640 anytime. Want to pay about \$200/m.

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Roommate wanted to share nice midtown Apt w 27 yo GWM doors separate lvg/dng rm. BDRM w pvt patio \$300. Mo + 1/2 ut. \$250 Dep.

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Services

Satisfying, sensuous full body massage for men. Christopher 646-4283. 5/15

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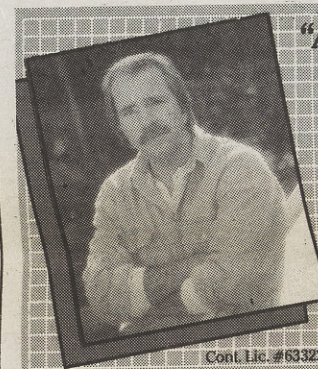
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CALENDAR

Calendar lists are FREE to non-profit organizations. Listings must be made in writing (Day, Date, What, Who, Where, Time, Phone) by the 10th or 25 of each month. Listings are not taken over the phone.

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1 - Tuesday

S!A MEETING, 7pm, Wreck Rm, 2513 Broadway, 863-3398

SAC GAY/LESBIAN FILM FESTIVAL ORGANIZING MEETING, 6pm, Lambda Community Center, Allen @ 451-5872.

2 - Wednesday

WOMEN IN ACTION LOBBY DAY (WIALD), Speaker: State Treasurer, Kathleen Brown, Sac. Convention Center, 273-0257.

FRONT RUNNERS Run for fun. Lesbian, gay, bi-sexual running group. Rich 362-0755, James 387-8275.

3 - Thursday

CODA A fellowship of gay men and lesbians recovering from Co-Dependent relationships. 7:30 pm. Lambda Center. 1931 L St.

DYKES OUT TOGETHER Full Moon Hike. Diana, 487-3124

4 - Friday

West Coast Antique Fly-In. Vintage aircraft. Merced.800-446-5353.

5 - Saturday

CAP/PAC LIVE/SILENT AUCTION DINNER, Radisson Hotel, Roberta Achtenber, David Mixner, 6 pm. \$75, 736-2722.

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NJ GAY PRIDE CELEBRATION, Asbury Park, NJ, 210-487-7832.

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6 - Sunday

CAPITOL AIDS WALK Registration 8 am west steps of the Capitol. Walk begins at 9 am. 448-2437.

PRIDE FEST 1993 CELEBRATION, Detroit, MI, 313-825-6651.

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DEUCE Festival at the Lake, Oakland. Duckpond Stage, 2:30 - 3:20.

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7 - Monday

COMMON SENSE DOG TRAINING. Beginning 6:30, intermediate 7:40 Johnson-Springview Park, Rocklin. Joan B. Guertin 485-2201.

8 - Tuesday

COMMON SENSE DOG TRAINING. Puppy kindergarten, 6:30, beginning 6:30, intermediate 7:40, advanced puppy, 7:40. SPCA, 6201 Florin-Perkins Rd. Joan B. Guertin 485-2201.

9 - Wednesday

"TOMMY TUNE TONITE!", runs until July 4, Curran Theatre, S.F., 415-956-4781

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10 - Thursday

LAKEPORT REVIVAL A 1950's theme event with classic cars and dancing. 707-263-5099.

11 - Friday

"PLAY BY PLAY," by Robert Patrick, meadow at Marshall Gold Disc. State Historic Park, 7pm, 626-7888.

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12 - Saturday

"SECOND SATURDAY," art reception, 5 to 8pm, Michael Himovitz Gallery, 448-8723.

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13 - Sunday

TOWN COUNCIL CAR WASH FUNDRAISER, Noon - 5pm, behind Faces, K & 20th St., \$7.

GAY FATHER'S OF SAC Support group. 924-DADS.

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14 - Monday

SAC. LESBIAN/GAY TOWN COUNCIL, 6:30pm, all organizations invited!

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